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Editor, Paesa Sera
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Dear Sir,

Perhaps you will have heard of me as the author of the first of the books on the investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy. It is entitled WHITE-WASH: THE REPORT ON THE WARREN REPORT.

My interest in the case has not ended with the appearance of the book, although its wide acceptance and success have been gratifying. It had to be a private printing for it appears that as of my time publishers feared the subject.

I have been told that your paper printed, perhaps twice, a photograph of a man believed to be Jack Ruby standing in the crowd watching the ~~xxxxxx~~ passage of the Presidential motorcade in the company of a man identified as George de Mohrenschildt.

This picture could be of great interest to me. I would like to have a copy of your story or stories, including the picture, if possible a print of the picture so that I can look at it under magnification, and if the owner of the picture would trust me, the negative under such terms for its protection and the protection of his rights in it as he would prescribe. If he is unwilling to let the negative out of his possession, I would very much like an 8x10 inch print of the entire and unretouched negative. It would also be helpful to know where the photographer was standing at the time he took the picture and whether the U.S. Government had made any efforts to seek whatever information he can provide.

In return for this courtesy, I will let you know whatever I learn from a study of the picture.

From the description of the picture I have been given, it is similar to one I have seen not taken by an Italian tourist but by an American amateur. From this description, I believe it is possible that the picture was taken close to the scene of the actual assassination.

With respect to your story and de Mohrenschildt, it may interest you to know that he says he does not believe Oswald was the assassin, that Oswald seemed to like President Kennedy.

Thank you very much for any assistance you might offer.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg